

**O Little Town of Bethlehem (#230)**

Key of D (hymnal in F)

**VERSE 1:**

| D Ddim7 D | Em | D A7 | D  
 O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie;  
 |(D) B | Em | D A7 | D  
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, the silent stars go by.  
 |(D) C#m Ddim7 | F# | Bm Em | F#  
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;  
 | D Ddim7 D | B7 Em | D \_ (D) A7 | D  
 The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

**VERSE 2:**

| D Ddim7 D | Em | D A7 | D  
 For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above  
 |(D) B | Em | D A7 | D  
 While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.  
 |(D) C#m Ddim7 | F# | Bm Em | F#  
 O morning stars together, proclaim the holy birth  
 | D Ddim7 D | B7 Em | D \_ (D) A7 | D  
 And praises sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth.

**VERSE 3:**

| D Ddim7 D | Em | D A7 | D  
 How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given;  
 |(D) B | Em | D A7 | D  
 So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.  
 |(D) C#m Ddim7 | F# | Bm Em | F#  
 No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,  
 | D Ddim7 D | B7 Em | D \_ (D) A7 | D  
 Where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

**VERSE 4:**

| D Ddim7 D | Em | D A7 | D  
 O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
 |(D) B | Em | D A7 | D  
 Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.  
 |(D) C#m Ddim7 | F# | Bm Em | F#  
 We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
 | D Ddim7 D | B7 Em | D \_ (D) A7 | D  
 O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!